

K'LOON LOOKS FORWARD TO DAIMLER BUSES

Early next summer, Kowloon's streets will be decked with 20 new Daimler double-decker buses, the first in the Colony. Mr. W. L. T. Louey, General Manager of the Kowloon Motor Bus Company, awaits only the official approval of the Police before he puts his pre-war dream into effect.

Experiments for clearance of overhanging trees and bridges have been carried out and have proved satisfactory. The double-deckers, to run on the main routes, will relieve congestion at the Kowloon Ferry and facilitate traffic on all main routes in the city, Mr. Louey said.

The buses will carry 60 passengers each.

Hope Deferred
Mr. Louey had planned to inaugurate double-decker buses

WAR MEMORIAL FUND

Subscriptions received on Aug. 27, 1947:

In memory of Mr. G.V.T. Marshall: Mr. & Mrs. H.J. Armstrong	\$25.00
Mr. & Mrs. J.A.D. Morrison	25.00
Mr. & Mrs. D.C. Davis	25.00
In memory of Mr. Jimmy Landau: Mr. & Mrs. Lee d'Almeida	25.00
Total	\$100.00
H.K. Govt. Contribution	100.00
Received to 26.8.47	2,800,365.86
Grand Total	\$2,801,165.86

ROAD REPAIRS

Work is now in progress for the widening of the road from Bay View Mansions to the end of Tai Hang. When completed the road will be almost a hundred feet wide. This part of the road which is slightly below the level of the end sections, will also be raised.

Surrender Fires Over Tokyo

Tokyo, Aug. 28.

Flames from burning documents at the Japanese War Ministry rose so high on the night of August 14, 1945, after the decision to surrender was announced that fire fighting equipment was rushed to the scene, a Japanese witness told the International Military Tribunal today.

In their haste to obey the War Ministry order to destroy all secret documents, employees consigned to flames historical records some of which were nearly 100 years old, according to the testimony of Yuzo Miyama, who said he was the custodian of secret documents at the time.

Miyama said the burning of documents continued for four days but only towards the end was it discovered that practically the entire files of the War Ministry were being burned, and some effort was made to save the historical records. Associated Press.

Karachi, Aug. 27.

Governor-General Mohammed Ali Jinnah will fly to Lahore tomorrow to inspect the riot zones in the Punjab. It was reliably learned today. — United Press.

SCHOOLS ARE TURNING CHILDREN AWAY

Thousands of children are being turned away from schools in Hong Kong this term owing to lack of accommodation and to a certain extent shortage of qualified teachers.

Schools have been deluged with applications for admission, but due to the limited number of vacancies have had to close registration long before the registration period ended.

A "China Mail" survey yesterday of Government and grant-in-aid schools and some private schools revealed that at least 6,600 children will have no schooling this year, unless arrangements are made by their elders for private teaching.

This figure does not include those who have failed to gain admission to the many private Chinese and English schools in Hong Kong. "Mail" understands that Government is concerned over the situation and that discussions on the subject have been held.

The List

A detailed list of schools surveyed by the "China Mail" yesterday, with the approximate number of vacancies and applicants follows:

La Salle College	80 vacancies, 1,600 applicants.
St. Joseph's College	450 vacancies, 1,400 applicants.
Wah Yan College	350 vacancies, 1,000 applicants.
St. Mary's School	300 vacancies, 1,000 applicants.
Italian Convent	70 vacancies, 1,000 applicants.
Dioesan Boys School	160 vacancies, 500 applicants.
Yamnat Government School	30 vacancies, 500 applicants.
Government Anglo-Chinese School	53 vacancies, 500 applicants.
Vanchai Government School	60 vacancies, 300 applicants.
Government Vernacular Primary School	90 vacancies, 300 applicants.
Dioesan Girls School	70 vacancies, 400 applicants.
French Convent	200 vacancies, 300 applicants.
Vernacular School for Girls	62 vacancies, 230 applicants.
St. Francis School	65 vacancies, 200 applicants.
Government Vernacular Middle School	35 vacancies, 200 applicants.
St. Stephen's Boys College	45 vacancies, 100 applicants.
Central British School	70 vacancies, 100 applicants.
Mongkok Government School	30 vacancies, 100 applicants.
Bellios Public School	30 vacancies, 70 applicants.
Ellis Kadoorie School	40 vacancies, 43 applicants.
Queen's College	no vacancies, 50 applicants.

KILLED BY FALL FROM VERANDAH

At about 10.30 p.m. yesterday a married Chinese woman accidentally fell off the verandah of the second floor of No. 16 Kwai Heung Street.

She died before the arrival of the ambulance.

U.S. Urged To Stop "Red March In Asia"

Honolulu, Aug. 28. Maj-General Samuel Howard, commander of the Marine Garrison forces in the Pacific, has urged for an extension of the Truman Doctrine to Asia "to stop the march of Communism."

In an address to the Junior Chamber of Commerce, Gen. Howard advocated United States aid to China, declaring the country could not exist without outside help.

He declared the American "wait and see" policy toward China must be changed and munitions, supplies and money be provided "unless we China and eventually India are to become Communist controlled."

General Howard said there was no hope of bringing the Communists into the Chinese National Government unless they were defeated.

"It is extremely doubtful that they can be defeated militarily unless we back the Nationalist Government with munitions, supplies and money," he added.

General Howard, who received the Navy Cross for his part in the defence of Corregidor, and commanded the first marine division in troubled North China after his release from a Manchurian prison camp, emphasized he was expressing his personal opinion and not that of the Marine Corps.

"All evidence indicates a crisis in China," he said. "If we are to stop the march of Communism in Europe, then we should stop the march of Communism in Asia." Associated Press.

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Manila Holds A Golden Bag

Manila, Aug. 28.

A number of gold brokers are now "holding the bag" as a result of the Philippine Government's recent clamping down on gold exports to possible blackmarket areas in compliance with International Monetary Fund regulations.

No estimates on the amount now bottled up are available but it is believed to run into considerable sums.

The Finance Secretary (Miguel Cuaderno), who is one of the Philippine delegates to the United Nations General Assembly leaving on Sept. 3, pointed out that the Philippines was the first nation to enforce the Monetary Fund Regulations regarding gold.

While other nations allow for a certain period prior to the enforcement of the regulations, the Philippine action was almost automatic upon the receipt of a communication from the Managing Director of the International Monetary Fund, Cuaderno revealed.

In addition, Cuaderno cancelled licenses for gold exports due to expire on August 31 because the destination is either "Hong Kong or Macao."

Macao is reputedly a gold blackmarket centre. It was learned that a representative of the International Monetary Fund visited Manila in July and conferred with Philippine government officials regarding the enforcement of the gold regulations.

Cuaderno believes that the exportation of 65,500 ounces of gold worth more than \$2,000,000 from the United States to the Philippines as revealed in United States Treasury records undoubtedly occurred some time ago prior to the enforcement of the gold ban here.

Cuaderno pointed out that the Philippine gold sent to the United States or England for refining could be returned to the Philippines but stressed that strict control will continue here.

The Philippine gold production is still very small currently with only two mines operating but emphasized that the government is adhering to the control plan regarding exports.

Cuaderno revealed that he is also proceeding to Washington for discussion on certain financial matters. — United Press.

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"FESTIVAL OF SPIRITS" IS HELD TODAY

The Festival of Spirits (Yu Lan Jit) will be observed by the majority of Chinese people today, the 14th day of the 7th Moon.

According to Chinese belief, spirits from the nether world are granted, by the King of Hades, a holiday on this day each year so that they might return to this world where they once lived as mortals.

In the homes of those who observe the Festival, candles and incense sticks are lighted before the ancestral tablets. Cooked rice, chicken, pork, fruit and wine are also laid out in front of these ancestral tablets, with stewed duck and taro forming the chief item on the menu.

Banknotes Burned
At sun-down, the customary sacrificial papers, as well as banknotes on the "Bank of Hell," will be burnt as offerings to the departing spirits to speed them on the journey back to Hades.

At the same time, rice will be scattered to the four winds. In days gone by, when copper and silver coins were plentiful, it was usual for such coins to be scattered in addition to rice.

The festival was therefore a red letter day in the life of practically every street urchin and beggar, who reaped a very good harvest gathering up the scattered coins.

Superstitious Chinese mothers will not allow their children to stay out late tonight for fear that the youngsters, playing and jumping about as children do, might in some way knock against some evil spirit roaming the streets, and so incur its anger and wrath.

This is vented upon the child by sickness or some other misfortune.

HKVD Orders
Orders by Lieut. Colonel H. Owen Hughes, E.D., Acting Commandant, H.K.V.D. Corps. Order No. 31/47 dated 28th August, 1947.

Information Required.—Any one having any knowledge of the whereabouts of the next-of-kin of 1454 L/Cpl. J.B. Sturges, No. 2 Company, H.K.V.D.C., is asked to communicate with the Adjutant without delay.

War Memorial Fund.—The following is reproduced for information:—The attention of all concerned is directed to the existence of the War Memorial Fund. So far as the H.K.V.D.C. is concerned, this fund in general is designed to assist widows and children of Volunteers who lost their lives or were incapacitated due to their war service or experiences as prisoners of war. To ensure uniformity of application, it has been decided that all claims from Volunteer dependents should be submitted through the Adjutant, direct to the Committee. Widows and children who consider that they have a claim should communicate with the Adjutant, without delay. It is emphasized that dependents other than widows and children have no claim on the fund and should not apply. Applicants should coil on the Adjutant in his office bringing with them their marriage certificate and children's birth certificates. It is pointed out that part of the object of the War Memorial Fund is to provide assistance to any officer or other rank in the Corps who through wounds received in action, injuries, etc. sustained during service including captivity or illness, that is attributable to war service, is wholly or partially prevented from earning his living. Any Volunteer who considers that he has a claim should contact the Adjutant, who will submit the application on the applicant's behalf.

Hong Kong Services Rifle Association.—There will be no practice shoots this weekend. (Sgd. J. Weston, Captain, Adjutant, H.K.V.D. Corps.)

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READERS' LETTERS

Occupation Land Deals

Sir, A recent court decision confirming the land deal in occupation days, has disappointed many who suffered in the hands of the enemy under whose monopoly and syndicate system only those closely collaborated to the detriment of the Allied cause could amass fortunes big enough to invest in real estate.

After detailed perusal of the learned judge's opinion, I however tried to comfort my bitter feelings that His Honour made it plain that moratorium on such properties has not been lifted. Through your paper I appeal in the name of those internees, sufferers and dead patriots to the Government that such occupation land deals be heavily taxed if not totally confiscated.

There are, according to the Law Society's recommendation, five thousand such purchases. If a house so bought is worth HK\$100,000, then the sum-total is HK\$500,000,000.

There is no law that protects such purchases. International Law does not extend its protection to violators of International Law and their collaborators whose offences have been from time to time vividly described in the records of War Crimes Courts and trials of Quilangs.

Morally, the Allied powers owe such breakers of public law and their greyhounds no gratitude. Reversely, confiscation of such properties and punishment of their holders should be resorted to as measures of deterrence if not as precedents of vengeance, revenge and retaliation.

England needs money to relieve her dollar shortage. Hong Kong's internees, sufferers and patriots deserve compensation. Our War Memorial Fund invites more contributions. Schools, churches and charitable organisations require immediate support.

The Government levies the Income Tax. Servicemen are taxed in theatres, cabarets and restaurants.

Those who made good under the enemy who did not even give loyal subjects a chance to make a decent living are let by our Government to boss us, to display their wealth in hotels and taverns as they bossed us in the Kempeitai days.

Such a state of affairs is in reality what it ought not to be. Whoever defends such institution is not fair to the Allied cause, nor to International Law and Morality.

We people of Hong Kong fought as much as we could in the dark days of the War. Today our Colony is named as Paradise of Collaborators. We are given the bad name we do not deserve. We are given the bad name because among other reasons, our Government has not confiscated or heavily taxed lands bought in the occupation days.

HENRY CALLINIS.

Money Market

Gold opened yesterday at \$375 a ton and closed at \$378.50. Reports of renewed fighting in Indo-China caused a drop in Plaster from \$14.40 to \$13.65 a 100. Earlier in the week it had topped \$15.00.

Chinese National Currency futures opened at 13.1 cents and closed at 13.25 cents for CN\$1,000. Spot was nominal at 13.75 cents. U.S. dollars were firm at \$5.30. Sterling was at \$10.50; an Australian pounds at \$12.53.

Petition Drawn Up Against Crown Rents

A petition against the exorbitant increase in Crown Rents is being prepared and will shortly be submitted to the Colonial Secretary, said Mr. Robert Der, Chairman of the Kowloon Chinese Chamber of Commerce yesterday.

According to Mr. Der, occupiers of land have recently received notices from the Crown Lands Department to the effect that fees on land occupied by them will be increased as from Oct. 1.

Quoting an example, Mr. Der said that the occupier of a piece of land, used for the purpose of storing earthenware containers and jars, has been called upon to pay \$3,024 per annum for a

piece of land measuring 8,600 square feet. The previous annual fee payable was \$948.


Dr. Der said that this increase could have only a detrimental effect on business in general and the cost of living in particular.

"Factory owners and proprietors of timber yards in Shamshui, Cheung Chau and Tai Kok Tsui will be the chief sufferers if the proposed increases are not reviewed," said Mr. Der.

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Russia Warns Against Tampering With Veto

Lake Success, Aug. 27. Russia warned bluntly today that a "hotheaded" attempt to tamper with the Big Five veto power could wreck the United Nations.

The Soviet representative, Andrei Gromyko, delivered the warning in the Security Council as the small-nation delegates renewed their assault on the big powers' privilege and the United States launched out at Russia's frequent use of that privilege.

Mr. Gromyko declared: "Some hotheads have tried to arrive at modification or liquidation of the veto. These attempts will continue, but they shall not prevail if we want to continue the United Nations and work for continuance and strengthening of the organization within its framework."

With the big powers ready to fight together against any real attempt at altering the Charter's veto provision, the Council produced a preview of the full-blown veto debate slated to explode next month in the 55-nation General Assembly.

The Fight

The fight began with these developments:

1. The Council President, Mr. Farris C. Khoury of Syria, said that if the Council thought it could do anything about the veto issue, it might suggest that the Big Five renounce their special voting privilege in everything but actual cases involving threats to peace, breaches of peace or acts of aggression.

2. The American deputy delegate, Herschel Johnson, while flatly opposing any alternative to the veto, accused Russia of "dashing hopes" that the big powers would refrain from using the veto to impede the work of the Council.

3. Mr. Gromyko then introduced a series of 15 American proposals for clarifying Security Council procedures and eliminating various procedural operations from the range of veto power.

4. Mr. Gromyko scoffed at the Syrian suggestion and

branded the American proposals as an apparent attempt to tamper with the veto and advised the Security Council to "do nothing" about the veto question.

Australia's Stand

5. Australia's William Hodgson, leader in the over-present fight of the small nations against the special power of the big countries, said that the big powers must at least get together on ways to modify the use of the veto if they refuse to allow any changes in the Charter's voting procedure.

6. Poland applauded the United States for opposing any change in the veto and, as the Polish delegate Julius Katz-Suchy put it, for "leaving the chiefs of ladies' knitting circles and boys' clubs, where the question of the veto is not taken seriously."

Russia, which used the veto 18 of the 20 times it has been invoked in the Security Council, was the prime target of the anti-veto tirade and, as at last year's Assembly session, principal defender of Big Five privileges.

"On this question of veto we must not remain in the clouds," said Mr. Gromyko. "We must come back to earth. United Press.

Television Under Water

Washington, Aug. 27. The Navy revealed today that it was believed to be the first successful demonstration of television underwater conducted in Bikini Lagoon.

The naval announcement said a television camera was lowered 160 feet to the deck of the submarine Apogon which was sunk by the atom bomb test.

Natural light was used in the August 22 experiment but the Navy said that diving lights could be used when necessary.

Deep sea divers who had inspected the Apogon said the television screen approximated in clarity what they saw in the lagoon's floor.

The Navy said it was possible to develop a system whereby a television camera can be lowered to depths far beyond what a man can penetrate in a diver's suit. —United Press.

"There Was No Crime"

Paris, Aug. 28. The French police after more than two months' investigation of the mystery of 17 patients' deaths by poisoning at the Women's Hospital at Macon, declared today, "there was no crime."

Police Commissioner Bascou, in charge of the investigation, said "I am now making a full report on the inquiry. The supposition that a series of murders has been carried out by a sadist is no longer entertained." —Reuter.

PAKISTAN TO JOIN FEC?

Washington, Aug. 26. Diplomatic sources today said the Far Eastern Commission probably would consider at its next meeting on September 1 the question of whether Pakistan should be admitted to membership in the policy-making body for Japan.

The sources said the matter had become particularly pertinent because of the question of whether Pakistan as well as India should be represented at the Japanese peace conference, which is expected to convene here sometime this autumn. —United Press.

"Queen Elizabeth" Passengers Searched

Southampton, Aug. 27. The new currency restriction subjected millionaires and film stars to Customs searches before the Queen Elizabeth sailed for New York today, but Hollywood producer Irving Asher had a comeback.

Customs officials lifted 48 from him on the grounds that no more than 45 could be taken from Britain by one person.

With a glance at his wife, ex-film star Laura La Plante, Asher defiantly unrolled a huge portrait of Winston Churchill and said: "You can't take this from me. This face represents just what I think of the courage of the British people, whatever their difficulties."

Asher kept the portrait. Sixty Customs men—almost the entire port staff and six times the normal number—searched passengers for sterling funds exceeding £5.

Sir Wilfrid Ayre, leading British shipbuilder, with just 45 in his pocket, told friends about a million dollars of shipping orders while he was being searched.

"One order for the Argentine state fleet now building in Britain must be worth about £3,500,000," he said to unimpressed Customs men.

Rita Hayworth, returning from her European tour, waited until other Customs men—also unimpressed—found her finances in order.

Other passengers who passed through a seven-minute looking over were Norman Hartnell, who will design Princess Elizabeth's wedding gown, and Leonard Lord, chairman and managing director of the Austin Motor Company, who hopes to sell US\$15,000,000 worth of English cars for the export market in the next year. —United Press.

RECORD LEAP

Moscow, Aug. 27. The newspapers today claimed a new record in parachute jumps by Lt-Col. Vasil Romanuk, by a leap of 13,400 metres.

The papers reported the temperature at the jumping altitude was minus 72 degrees and that his fur clothes were immediately covered by a coat of frost when the plane door was opened.

According to the press reports Romanuk took 21 minutes to descend. —United Press.

Excuse For Gestapo Men

Hamburg, Aug. 26. A plea that the 18 Gestapo and SS men, accused here of the murder of 50 Allied Air Force officers, who attempted a mass escape from Stalag Luft III, in March, 1944, acted "on good faith in the legality of Hitler's order" was made by the defence today.

Dr. Meyer Labastille, the defence counsel, in his final address to the court, said: "Justice must not capitulate to the desire for revenge," and claimed that the crime against the British officers had been atoned by the death of the responsible men, Kaltenbrunner and Goering. —Reuter.

REDS FIRE ON U.S. BOATS

Houston, Texas, Aug. 26. John Ben Shepperd, National President of the Junior Chamber of Commerce, said today upon his return from Alaska that the Russians were firing on United States fishing boats that ventured too close to the Soviet shores of the Bering Straits.

He said: "For years boats traded with both shores and some crews have members of their families on the other side." —United Press.

Consuls To Meet On Java Problem

Batavia, Aug. 27. All the foreign Consuls in Batavia are to meet tomorrow to discuss plans for supervising the "cease-fire" order in Indonesia in accordance with the decision of the United Nations Security Council.

The Chinese Consul, Mr. Tsing Chia Tsung, will fly back for the meeting from Indonesian Republican territory, where he was today inspecting the condition of Chinese refugees and discussing with Republican leaders the safety of Chinese nationals.

A Dutch communique today announced that total Dutch casualties since the start of "police action" were 159 killed, 412 wounded, and 18 missing. The communique reported more fighting near Batavia, in Central and East Java, and in Sumatra.

The Dutch forces have intercepted an order from General Soedirman, the Republican Commander-in-Chief in Indonesia, instructing leaders of the Republic to force to guarantee better treatment for the Chinese "in view of international repercussions."

The report said the order strictly forbade the spreading of "reports which could 'arouse mutual distrust'."

Earlier, the Republican Government had announced the death penalty for anyone robbing Chinese.

(A Nanking message today said that Dr. George Yeh, the Chinese Vice-Minister of Foreign Affairs, announced today that the Chinese Government was still insisting on the complete cessation of hostilities as a first step in the solution of the Dutch-Indonesian dispute.) —Reuter.

No Precedent In History

London, Aug. 28. Governors from all Britain's colonial and mandated territories in Africa will meet in London in November to arrange for the biggest colonial convention in the Empire's history next year.

The projected convention will be attended by colonial governors and members of local legislative councils and will include European as well as Africans. Colonial Office spokesmen said it will shape the economic, social and political future of the African continent for the next 100 years. It will have no precedent in Imperial history. —Associated Press.

AUSTRIAN PEACE TREATY TALKS

Vienna, Aug. 26. The Inter-Allied Commission on the Austrian peace treaty has completed its technical discussions, regarding German assets, the Austrian news agency reported today.

The questions of oilfields, banks and Danube shipping, insurance companies and industrial concerns were already disposed of, the agency reported. —Reuter.

Shanghai, Aug. 29. The United States army court martial of TS Thomas Malloy of Chicago with the murder in connection with the slaying of a Chinese black market operator, is scheduled to open today. —Associated Press.

Atomic Control Plan: U.S. Acceptance

Lake Success, Aug. 27. The United States announced today unqualified acceptance of the United Nations plan to subject atomic energy facilities and activities of all nations to strict supervision and management by a projected world atomic control authority.

The United States became the first government to accept the proposals as laid down in the plan devised by experts of 11 of the 12 nations on the United Nations Atomic Energy

Commission. Russia was the only country whose experts did not participate.

The deputy American delegate, Frederick Osborn, said the principles and rules laid down by the experts represent the only hope for "effective security" in the atomic age.

Osborn said there was a wide gulf between the concept of international atomic control as defined in the working papers and the concept of national atomic development in which the international atomic authority would serve only as an inspector to look for violators.

This second concept, he implied, is the one favoured by Russia while most of the other nations of the 12-nation commission endorse the former.

Osborn said, "In the mind of the American delegation, this gulf marks the difference between effective security on one hand and extension of national rivalries in the atomic field on the other." —United Press.

Palestine Solution Clash

Geneva, Aug. 27.

The 11 members of the United Nations Special Committee on Palestine, who met in private here today are understood to disagree over the solution of the Palestine problem.

Three delegates, those of India, Iraq and Yugoslavia, want a federal system dividing Palestine into six cantons, while the remaining eight are understood to favour the division of the country into semi-independent states.

At 6 days' meeting—the first formal meeting for more than a week—the committee reviewed the papers submitted by the working parties set up to work out a solution of the Palestine situation. No vote was taken.

According to the federal system, Palestine would be divided into six cantons—three Jewish and three Arab—having a central government on lines similar to that of Switzerland.

The three Jewish divisions would be the eastern part of Galilee, the western part of central Palestine, and the eastern part of the Negeb. —Reuter.

Nail In Brain Decision

Fort Logan, Colorado, Aug. 27. Virgil Gomez, 27, of Cerro, New Mexico, was still hesitant today about authorizing an operation to remove a two-inch nail from his skull, hammered between the hemispheres of his brain by his Japanese captors after the fall of the Philippines.

The surgeons informed Gomez of the seriousness of such surgery and of the dangers accompanying such an operation.

Gomez, whose right arm and left leg are daily giving him more trouble and who is having increasing headaches, discussed the operation with his wife Isabel and other members of his family. However, they maintained the decision was his to make. —United Press.

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28th August 1947.

Terms: As Customary.

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

OFFER OF 97,747 NEW
SHARES OF \$10 EACH
AT PAR.

As already announced in the
Press at a Meeting of the Board
of Directors of the Green Island
Cement Company, Limited, held
on Thursday, the 22nd May,
1947, it was resolved to offer
97,747 shares of the nominal
value of \$10 each (in the pro-
portion of one new share for
every complete number of two
shares held by them respective-
ly) to the persons who on the
1st day of July, 1947, were re-
gistered as the holders of the
195,494 issued shares in the
capital of the Company at par
and so that on the acceptance of
the offer the nominal amount
due in respect of each such new
share (namely \$10) shall be
payable in full.

The offer of new shares to
Shareholders must be accepted
on or before the 30th day of
September, 1947, and such new
shares when allotted will rank
for Dividend as on and from the
1st day of October, 1947.

Any of the shares which shall
not be taken up by the Com-
pany's Shareholders or their
nominees in manner aforesaid
shall be disposed of in such
manner and at such time or
times and upon such terms as
the Company's Directors shall
at their absolute discretion see
fit.

No Shareholder shall be en-
titled to claim for a fraction of
an additional share in respect
of any odd issued share held by
him.

Shareholders are accordingly
offered the number of shares to
which they are entitled, as
specified above.

Shareholders intending to
take up all the new shares to
which they are entitled must
complete and sign a printed
Form of Acceptance. Such a
Form, if not already in the Share-
holder's possession, can be ob-
tained from the Company, pro-
vided that satisfactory proof is
furnished that the person apply-
ing for the shares is entitled
thereto.

Shareholders may transfer
their rights to all of the new
shares by signing the printed
Form of Renunciation and Nom-
ination, and the Nominee (a),
who must be of full age, must
then complete the Form of Ac-
ceptance. Such a Form of Re-
nunciation and Nomination, if
not already in the Shareholder's
possession, can be obtained from
the Company's Office in the
same manner as the Form of
Acceptance.

Shareholders wishing to ac-
cept only part of the number of
shares to which they are en-
titled and to renounce the bal-
ance in favour of a Nominee, or
wishing to renounce in favour
of more than one Nominee
must surrender the entire Form
to the Company's Office, Ex-
change Building, Des Voeux
Road Central, to be cancelled
and exchanged for Split Forms
at any time not later than the
date of acceptance as specified
in the Form.

The necessary remittance
with the full amount payable
must be forwarded to the Hong
Kong & Shanghai Banking Cor-
poration, Hong Kong, to be re-
ceived by them not later than
the date of acceptance as speci-
fied in the Form.

If the Conditions of acceptance
and payment are not duly ob-
served the right to participate
in this issue will be absolutely for-
feited.

By Order of the Board of
Directors,

R. TAYLOR,
Manager & Secretary.

NOTICE

ROYAL HONG KONG GOLF CLUB

Members are reminded that
an Extraordinary General Meet-
ing will be held at the Board
Room Jardine Matheson & Co.,
Ltd. at 5.30 p.m. TODAY.

D. W. MUNTON
Secretary.

ROYAL WEDDING PLANS

2,000 Guests For Abbey Ceremony

London, Aug. 27.

If you are royalty you will receive large six-inch
by eight-inch folders inviting you to Princess
Elizabeth's wedding. Otherwise, if you are
still one of the 2,000 persons who will be invit-
ed, you will be content with four-inch by six-
inch cards.

Proofs of these cards are now being inspected by
the King and Queen, although the invitations
will not be mailed out until October, it was
learned in London today.

Except for size, each set is
identical. At the top is the
Royal Crest in gold, about as
big as a postage stamp. The
message is engraved in flowing
black script that looks as though
it has been inscribed by a quill.

"The Lord Chamberlain," the
invitation says, "is commanded
by Their Majesties to invite"
(and here are two blank for
names) "on the occasion of the
marriage of their daughter
Princess Elizabeth to Lieutenant
Mountbatten, R.N., at 11.30 a.m.
on November 20, 1947, at West-
minster Abbey."

After Princess Elizabeth's
name in the invitation are in-
serted initials standing for "Im-
perial Order of the Crown," of
which the King made the Prin-
cess a member last June. The
name of the Order, which was
first created by Queen Victoria
in 1878 to commemorate her
taking the title of Empress of
India, is now in need of altera-
tion, since King George recently
dropped the title of Emperor for
that of King.

What To Wear
At the left-hand corner of the
invitation are instructions on
what to wear. These instruc-

There are so many big blocks
of "must" guests that even the
House of Lords will have to put
names into a hat and draw for
seats. The House of Lords and
the House of Commons—about
1,000 strong—will be limited
to ten per cent of the seats—

PROPOSAL TO CHANGE A SHIP'S NAME

WE, CHINA HELLENIC
LINES, LTD. c/o Bruton & Co.,
Solicitors Windsor House, hereby
give notice that in conformation
with owners nomenclature. We
have applied to the Minister of
Transport, under Section 47 of
the Merchant Shipping Act,
1894, in respect of the Steam
Ship "City of Kee Lung" of
HONG KONG REGISTRY
Official Number 143445 Gross
tonnage 5186.13 tons Register
tonnage 3199.35 tons, heretofore
owned by ELLERMAN &
HUCKNELL CO., LTD. for per-
mission to change her name to
HELLENIC TRADER and to
have her registered in the new
name at the Port of HONG
Kong as owned by China
Hellenic Lines, Ltd.

Any objection to the proposed
change of name must be sent to
the REGISTRAR OF SHIP-
PING at HONGKONG within
SEVEN days from the ap-
pearance of this advertisement.

Dated at HONGKONG the
29th day of August 1947, China
Hellenic Lines, Ltd.

G. M. STAMATELOS,
Director.

ANNOUNCEMENT

Dairy Farm Customers are advised that
Saturday being a Public Holiday all Retail
Butchery, Provision and Dairy Depart-
ments will observe Sunday hours of
opening.

THE DAIRY FARM, ICE & COLD STORAGE CO., LTD.

Pure Food Specialists.

NOTICE

Will Firms please note that Dollar Directory
forms for the 1948 edition should be corrected
and completed as soon as possible, and returned
to the "CHINA MAIL" Office, Windsor House,
without delay.

FOR PHILIP COAT OF ARMS

London, Aug. 27.

The Star's diary columnist
said today that Lieutenant
Philip Mountbatten might
adopt a coat of arms combin-
ing those of the Royal houses
of England, Greece and Den-
mark and the Mountbatten
family when he is made a
peer.

The columnist said Lieut.
Mountbatten and Princess
Elizabeth were discussing the
coat of arms with King
George.—United Press.

or room for about 100 Members
and their wives.

The only Members assured of
seats will be those who either
hold positions in the Royal
Household—this included some
members of the Peerage—or
are officials of the Church or
Government or leading members
of the Opposition.

The three top categories of
guests will more than fill the
three front rows of the Abbey
nave—the only seats that allow
their holders to see the actual
ceremony. One group includes
royalty who are not at the sides
in special family boxes of the
bride and groom and other close
personal friends of the couple.

Highly prized, these front
seats will be allotted carefully
among the groups so each will
sit equidistant from the cere-
mony and none behind another.

No Daughters

The overflow from here, and
other less important personages
and officials—including lesser
members of the Royal House-
holds who number in hundreds
—will fill the Abbey.

Because of the scarcity of
seats, with the exception of
Royalty and other close friends
there will be no daughters in-
vited—a blow indeed to many.
—Reuter.

Trouble In The Paradise Islands

Suva, Aug. 27.

There is a trouble in the paradise islands of the
South Seas—a trouble of the Detroit variety.

Reports from the Solomon
Islands said that some of the
80-mile channel on Guadalcanal,
J. F. Nichol, acting Commis-
sioner in the West Pacific, will
confer with C. Noel, Commis-
sioner of the Solomon Islands, about
the unrest which was admitted
to be spreading in both the
Solomon Islands and New Hebrides.

The "Marching Rule" is de-
scribed as a sort of "jungle
trade union." It is the force behind the sit
down which has brought cop-
production to a virtual stand-
still and left billions of coco
nuts rotting on the ground.

The Government has agreed
to a 100 per cent pay increase,
but the natives are holding out
for 1200 per cent.—United
Press.

Savings Bank Forgeries

Johannesburg, Aug. 27.

Declaring that he wanted the
money to bring his partner out
from Glasgow, John Wilson, 23
Johannesburg, pleaded guilty in
court here to 31 counts of forg-
ing Post Office Savings Bank
books.

With him was William Cowan
25, seaman. Both were sentenced
to 27 months' hard labour.

They were serving on board a
British freighter and when they
missed their ship at Durban, de-
cided to settle in South Africa.
They opened savings accounts in
31 different names at 21 post of-
fices on the Rand, it was charged
and drew £115 by altering the
figures in the books.—Associated
Press.

FRAU TODT ON TRIAL

Munich, Aug. 26.

Frau Elisabeth Todt, widow of
Fritz Todt, builder of the West
Wall and Reich Inspector for De-
fence Construction, went on trial
in the tiny Berchtesgaden court-
room today as a Class I Nazi.

Charges of profiteering and be-
longing to the Nazi Party for 20
years will be supported today by
eight prosecution witnesses. The
trial is expected to conclude to-
morrow.—United Press.

PRIEST'S DEATH

Rome, Aug. 26.

The police announced today that
the Polish priest, Father
Nicola Lazzarovic, died from in-
juries believed to have been in-
flicted by a hit and run auto-
mobile.

Earlier, the police had said
the priest died from heavy blows.
—United Press.

Communist Leader's Funeral

SINGAPORE, AUG. 27.

CYMBALS CLASHED AND
CHOIRS SANG DIRGES
WHEN 15,000 CHINESE, IN
ONE OF THE BIGGEST
FUNERAL PROCESSIONS
EVER SEEN HERE, TODAY
FOLLOWED THE BODY
OF THE 81-YEAR-OLD COM-
MUNIST LEADER, LIN A-
LIANG, TO THE BURIAL
GROUND OUTSIDE SINGA-
PORE.

Lin A-liang died in the
Singapore General Hospital
nine days after he was released
from Outram Gaol, Singapore,
where he had served 18 months
of a two-year sentence for his
part in an illegal procession—
said to be in celebration of the
anniversary of Singapore's fall
to the Japanese—in February
1946.

During the Japanese occupa-
tion, Lin was arrested and tor-
tured by the Japanese. He was
sentenced to death but was
saved when the Allies liberated
Singapore.

A huge picture of the dead
man preceded the mile-and-a-
half long procession, which
blocked city traffic for two
hours.

Seventy gaily decorated lor-
ries carried nearly 2,000
wreaths, many of them eight
feet high.—Reuter.

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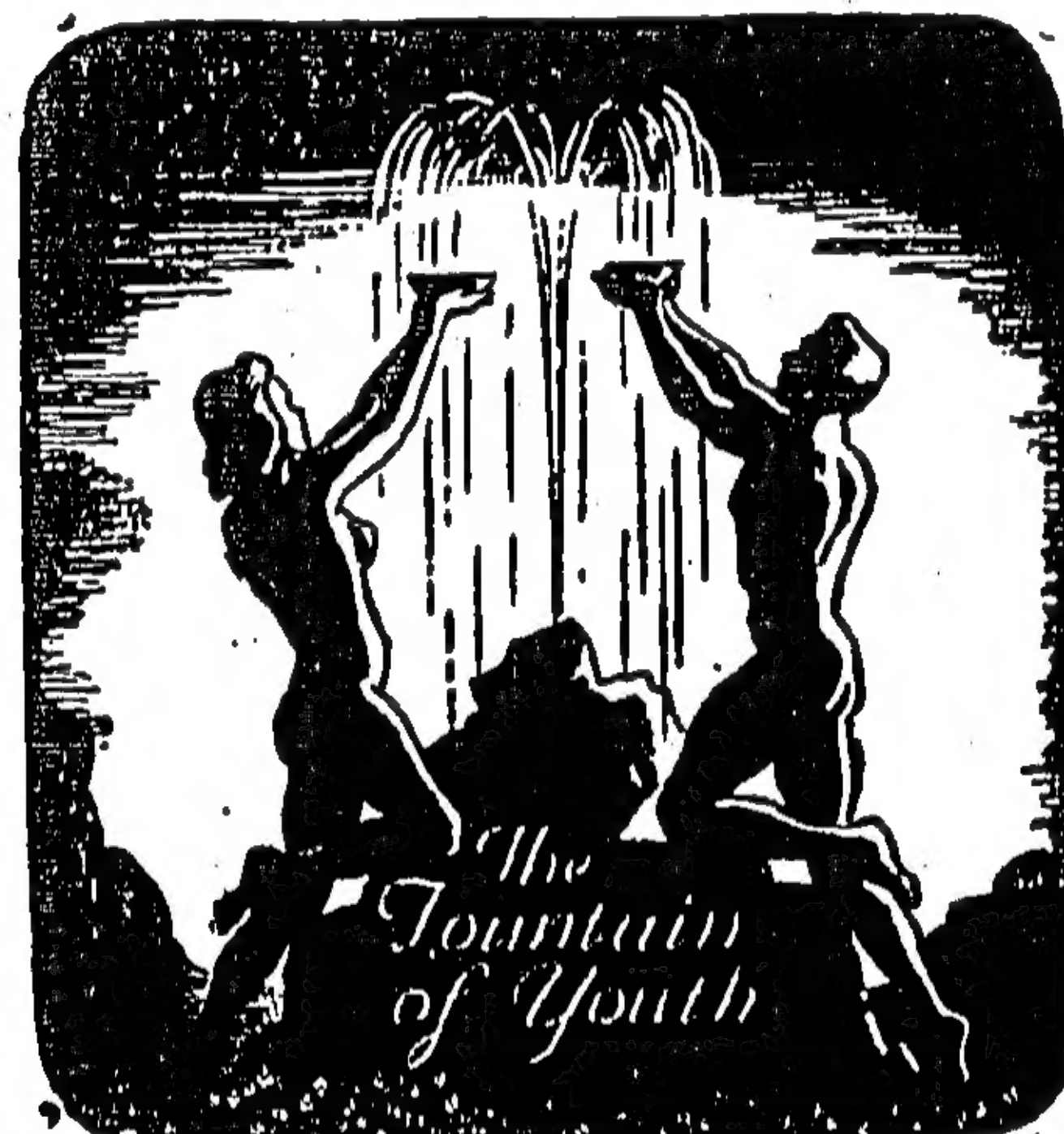


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\$10.00 per bottle.

PROSTALIN
\$6.80 per bottle.

OVERONES
\$10.00 per bottle.

MIRACLE HORMONE CREAM
\$10.00 per jar.

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\$11.10 per bottle.

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LIBERATION DAY

SATURDAY, 30TH AUGUST, 1947

We beg to inform our patrons that on the
above Holiday, our hours of business will be as
follows:—

Main Store Exchange Bldg. Closed
Kowloon Branch, Nathan Road Open from 9.00
to 11.00 a.m.

Annexe Exchange Building Closed

Note: Cakes and Bread will be on sale in the Vestibule of Cafe
Wiseman from 8.30 a.m. to Noon, instead of the Annexe
as heretofore.

Cafe Wiseman Open as usual.

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Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation
as Executor and Trustee of the
Estate of J. E. Joseph, deceased
invites offers for the properties

Kowloon Inland Lot No. 538 of 51,175 square feet
held under Crown Lease extending to 24th June
1963 at Rental of \$236.00 per annum,

and

Kowloon Inland Lot No. 3784 of 25,826 square feet
held under Crown Lease expiring 24th June
1963 at Rental of \$592.00 per annum with an
extended term already granted until June 2038,

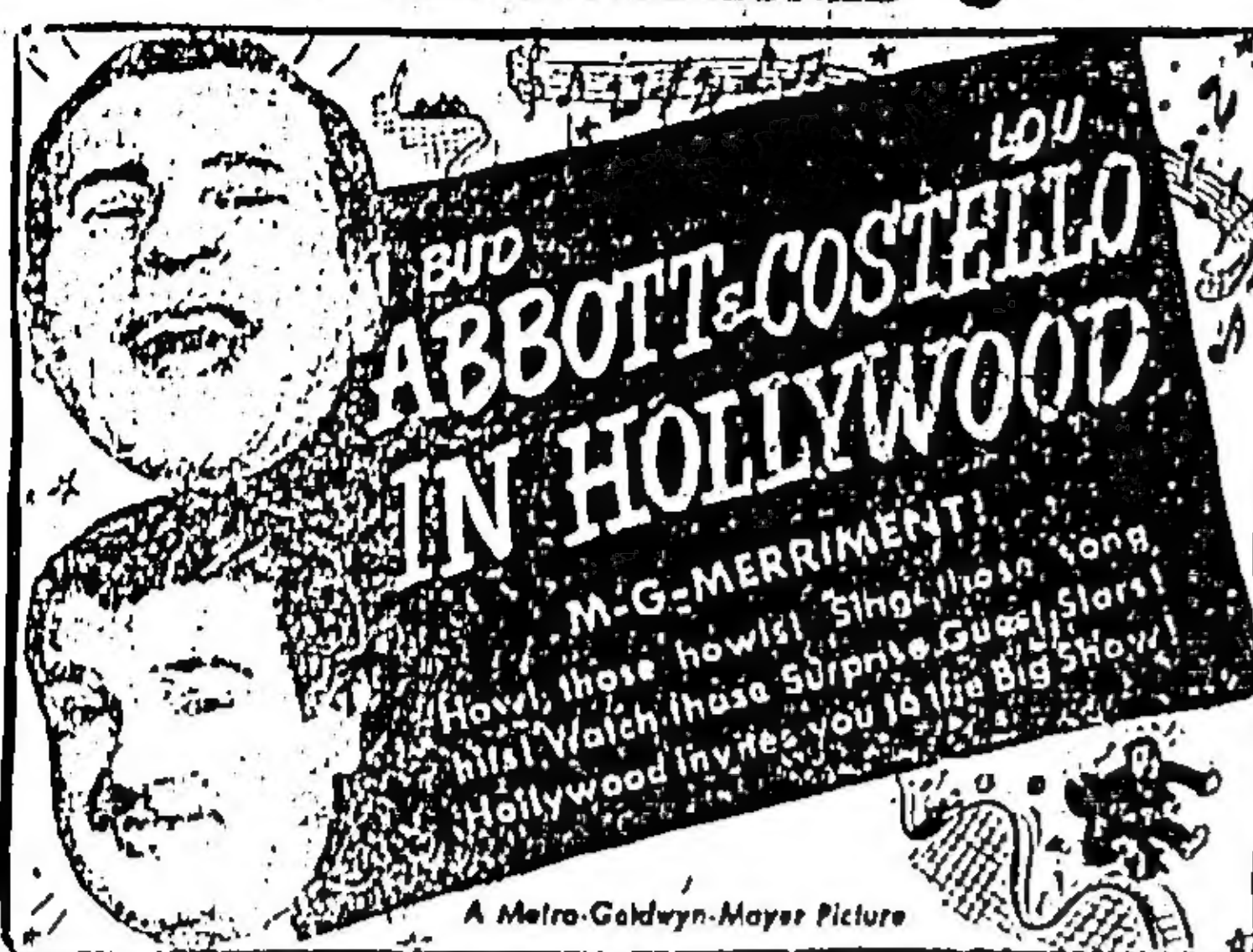
comprising

Nos. 34 and 36 Granville Road and Vacant Land
adjoining Chatham Road.

The total area of 77,000 square feet is ripe for
development and the attention of investors,
builders and other interested persons is directed
to the attractive situation of the property.

Any sale of the land will be subject to contract
and offers should be made on or before the 10th of
September 1947 in writing to Hongkong &
Shanghai Bank Hongkong (Trustee) Limited,
Mezzanine Floor, Hongkong Bank Building,
Hongkong or to Messrs. Deacons, Solicitors,
Hongkong, the solicitors of the Estate, from either
of whom further particulars can be obtained.

SHOWING **LINKS** AT 2.30, 5.15.
TO-DAY 7.20, & 9.30 p.m.
AIR-CONDITIONED



SUNDAY MORNING AT 11.30 A.M. ONLY
"NEW ADVENTURES OF TARZAN"

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ALHAMBRA & CENTRAL
DAILY AT 2.30, 5.15, & 9.30 P.M.
FINAL SHOWINGS TO-DAY



TO-MORROW
ALHAMBRA "GOD'S COUNTRY"
IN GORGEOUS COLOR
ROBERT LOWERY
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DICK FORAN
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"FALLEN ANGEL"
with Alice FAYE
Dana ANDREWS
Linda DARNELL
A 20th Century-Fox Picture

Teacher Became A Pirate

When Mak Man-pan, alias Mak Chung, a teacher formerly employed at a Government Grant-in-Aid School at Tai Long Village, Sai Kung, at a monthly salary of \$120, became fed up with his lot, he thought that he could improve his financial position by straying from the straight and narrow path.

Unfortunately for Mak, his venture into the realm of crime was not a success.

He received from Mr. Justice T.J. Gould (Additional Judge), a sentence of ten years' imprisonment with hard labour and 12 strokes of the cane, after being found guilty by a jury at yesterday's Criminal Sessions.

Mak was charged with robbery by one or more.

The case for the Crown was conducted by Mr. A. J. Clifford, assisted by S.I. Baldwin.

On Sampan
Opening of the case for the Crown, Mr. Clifford said that, on June 12, a fishing boat in Deep Bay was approached by a small sampan containing five men. These five men asked to be taken to Swatow.

The master of the fishing boat, Cheng Hee, refused to agree but eventually he said he would take them to the mouth of the On Long Creek in the hope that they might there contact a boat to take them to Swatow.

About half an hour after reaching the Creek, a cargo boat appeared.

The five men in the fishing boat immediately put on masks and produced revolvers. The cargo boat was called upon to stop. When this order

'EVERGREEN SUMMONS' ON CROWN LAND

Government may cancel a permit for occupying Crown land without having to furnish any reason for doing so, said by Mr. S. A. Fowler, Land Bailiff, at the resumed hearing by Mr. W. H. Latimer of the summons against Law Jackson for illegal occupation of Crown land at Cheung Sha Wan.

The case, described by Mr. Latimer as "the evergreen summons," was—according to Mr. S. A. Fowler, Land Bailiff—first instituted in December, 1946, as the result of Law Jackson's refusal to vacate an area of Crown land at Cheung Sha Wan.

Giving the history of the action, had been obeyed, it was boarded by the five men.

The latter robbed the passengers on the cargo boat and also took away a quantity of cigarettes.

The master of the fishing boat did not make any report of the incident because he had been threatened by the robbers.

Accused was subsequently arrested on information and identified by Cheng Hee, who remembered that he had a scar on the forehead.

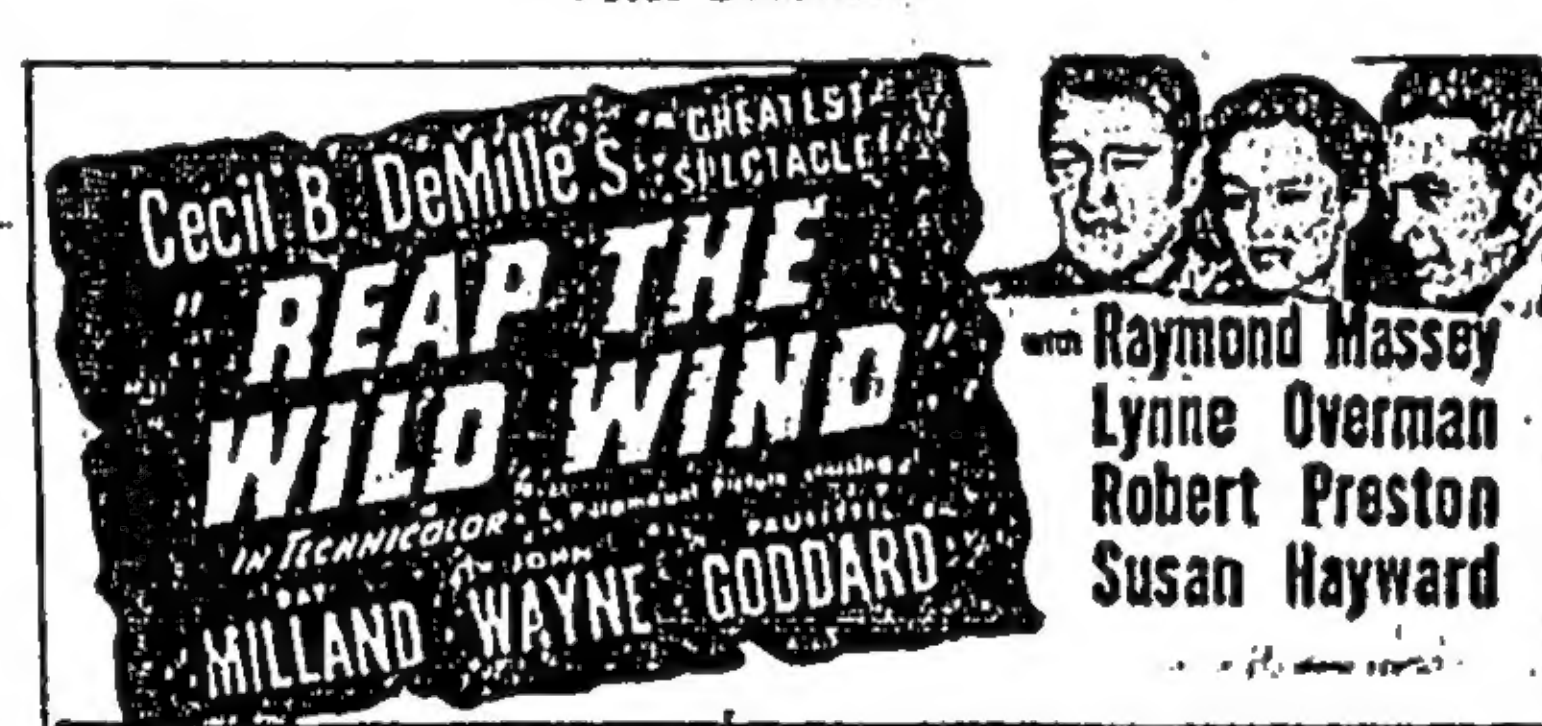
Accused denied that he took any part in the crime and alleged that the statement made by him to the police had been obtained by threats.

Appeal
After being found guilty and before sentence was passed, accused pleaded for leniency on the ground that he had a number of dependants.

It was pointed out to accused by Mr. Justice Gould that most people of his type claimed to have dependants and that it would have been better if he considered this point first before committing a crime.

Mr. Justice Gould also told accused that, as a teacher, he should have known better than take up a life of crime.

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NAAFI Guard On Fraud Charges

Hearing of the case in which Yu For, 49-year-old watchman employed by NAAFI, was charged on four counts of obtaining money by false pretences and one of conspiracy, was commenced before Mr. W. A. Blair-Kerr at Kowloon yesterday.

Detective Sub-Inspector MacDonald appeared for the prosecution, and Mr. Y. K. Kan of Messrs. Lo & Lo for the defence.

It was alleged by the Crown that defendant obtained \$160 from Chu Man and Chan Lai, \$80 from Chan Wai, and \$160 from Chu Song and San Yuen, at 97 Ma Tau Wai Road, on July 30.

On Aug. 1, alleged the prosecution, accused obtained \$130 from Lai Hon and Chan Chi outside 215 Yu Chau Street. Between July 23 and Aug. 5, defendant conspired with another to obtain the money from the complainants by falsely pretending that he was in a position to obtain jobs as watchmen for them.

In evidence, Chu Man stated on July 27, defendant called at 215 Yu Chau Street, first floor, where he was talking with Lai Hon, Chan Chi, Chu Song, San Yuen and another man.

"Tea-Money"
Accused told them that he was in a position to obtain jobs for them as watchmen in North Point, but that they had to pay "tea-money" of \$80 each.

At 4 p.m. on July 30, witness said, he went with Chan Lai to the Ka Wah Teahouse at Ma Tau Wai Road where he saw the accused with four or five men. They joined defendant's table and, after he had told them that he could obtain positions for them, they gave him \$80 each.

Defendant told them they would start work on Aug. 4. When his friend and he went to look for accused on Aug. 3, he said he could not get them the employment as the other man had absconded. On Aug. 9 he told them that he was not in a position to refund the money and advised them to report the matter to the Police.

Trusted
Cross-examined by Mr. Kan, witness stated that he had known accused for about 20 years, and trusted him fully.

He admitted that he was told that defendant obtained his employment as a watchman through Lai Tak on payment of \$20 tea-money. Witness also admitted that he saw Yu passing over \$160 to a man at a table in the Ka Wah Teahouse. He did not know, however, whether the man was Lai Tak or not.

Corroborative evidence was given by Chan Lai.
Further hearing was adjourned to the afternoon of Sept. 18, with bail fixed at \$500 cash and \$1,000 in two sureties.

PEKER VOTE

Ankara, Aug. 28.
Premier Recep Peker won a vote of confidence 303 to 34 on Tuesday night from the Parliamentary group of the reigning People's Party, silencing for the time being reports that he might be forced to step down over criticism of his internal policies.—Associated Press.

MAJESTIC
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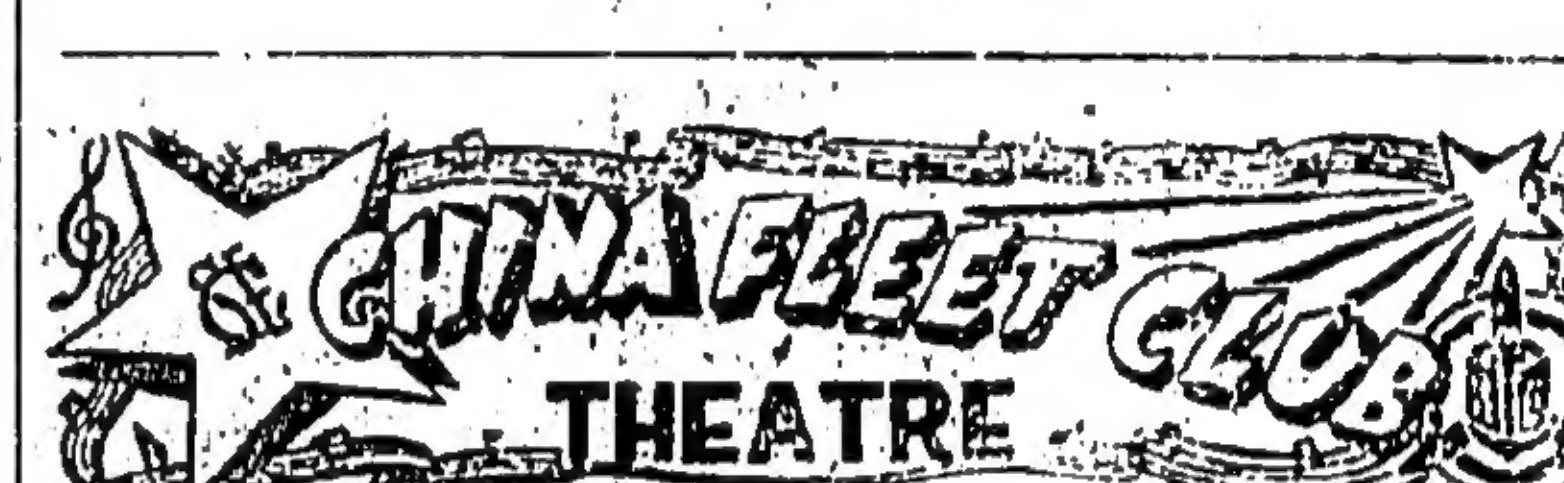


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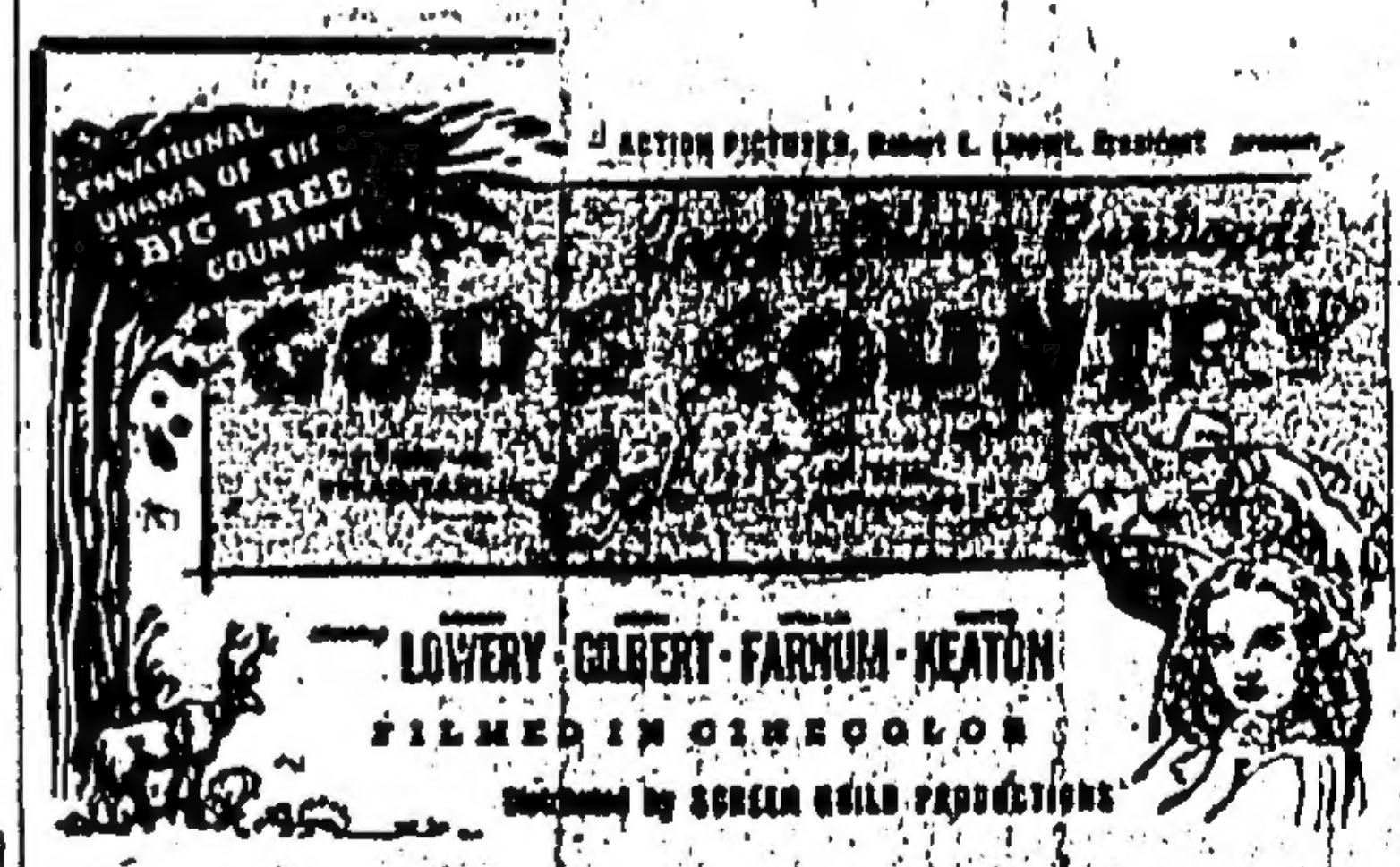
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STRIKE DANGERS

Now in its fourteenth day, the artisan strike threatens to develop into that hazardous and most useless of all struggles in the industrial world, a straight-out test of endurance. From the extremes of their positions, neither the strikers nor the employers have made concessions sufficient to narrow the gap and provide an acceptable talking-point around which a compromise could be built, and while that situation lasts, the deadlock will persist. That would be bad enough in itself, but the danger of the strike fever assuming epidemic form is very real and very ominous—with the public utility systems in the front line of attack—and too much emphasis cannot be placed upon the urgent necessity of the fullest re-consideration of their respective positions by both sides before damage is done beyond repair. The result of a protracted struggle can only be heavy loss for both. Unfortunately, there seems small prospect that wiser counsels will prevail. The main onus lies heavily on the leaders of the Chinese Engineers' Institute, who were responsible for the initiation of the strike, and whose ability to control its progress now seems to be rather more than doubtful. Yesterday's decision to reject the Labour Officer's invitation to further discussion, on the ground that no useful purpose would be served, can be traced to elements in the Strike Committee whose capacity for subordination outweighs their other faculties. The original demand of the unions has, it is true, been scaled down slightly, but it remains just as unrealistic, offering no basis for negotiation. If that is the last word, there is, in fact, nothing more to be said, and the "battle of attrition," advantageous to nobody, would seem to be inevitable. The employers, on the other hand, have put forward a scheme, providing for a minimum of a 20 per cent. increase in the basic pay of all skilled employees, and for a re-grading of staff, according to years of employment, that would ensure greater increases for those justly entitled to them. The scheme envisaged is not perfect, by any means, but it should, at least, have provided the ground-work upon which settlement satisfactory to both sides might have been based. But whether or not, the main responsibility for the deadlock rests with one side or the other is of but academic interest to the general public, which sees only that it is certain to be seriously inconvenienced if the strike spreads and a direct challenge to a "showdown" emerges. In poker terms, of course, that merely means all cards on the table and a settlement accordingly. In such terms, there could be no recriminations. It is that precisely which the situation demands. But anything savouring of a "starve them into submission" attitude, or, conversely, of bringing pressure where it does most damage, can only cause unnecessary hardship and difficulties all round. Again, it must be insisted, the demand is for a new approach and a new effort. On neither side is there a high hope that can be safely ridden.

When will food cuts come into operation? The first reductions may come as early as August 17; others will follow on September 14.

We have heard a lot about overtime, industrial conscription and staggered hours. How will the general body of workers be affected? On October 1, the hours of 1,000,000 factory workers will be altered. Half of them will start work earlier—at 7 a.m.—and half will finish later—at 8 p.m. In addition approximately 1-2,000,000 workers will go on to night shifts. In the undernourished essential industries, such as the mines, cotton, agriculture, engineering and textiles, some 3,000,000 people will be asked to work an extra hour a day to earn vital dollars. No final decision has yet been reached on direction of labour. Mr. Atlee, Sir Stafford Cripps

"NOT WELCOME"

London, Aug. 27. A former Indian civil servant, whose name was not disclosed, proposed in the Conservative "Daily Telegraph" here today that the public statues of English Statesmen and soldiers in India should be re-erected here. "These memorials of the days of dependence cannot be welcome to the new Dominion," he wrote in the paper, "and may suffer neglect or indignity." He suggested they be set up at the birthplaces of those they commemorated. Reuter.

HOUR of CRISIS

Your Queries Answered

Drastic measures, detailed by Mr. Atlee in the House of Commons as a last desperate attempt to save Britain in her "gravest hour" crisis, will affect every home and every factory in the country.

Millions of people want to know what is going to be done and how they personally will be affected. Here are my answers to the questions everyone is asking today, forecast after a close study of the present situation.

1. Food

We are told by Mr. Strachey that there will be reductions in dollar bought imports. Does this mean a cut in rations; and, if so, by how much?

Reductions in the bread and meat rations are regarded as inevitable. Grain consumption will have to be reduced by at least 25 per cent. because of the failure of the Moscow trade talks. This means a 20 per cent. cut in B.U.'s and a reduction of supplies of biscuits and cake.

The meat ration, recently reduced from 1s. 4d. to 1s. 2d., is likely to drop to 1s. with another cut later on.

The fats ration may drop another ounce. On the bright side of the picture, there is a hope of another slight increase in the sugar ration.

Will there be greater quantities of unrationed food available to make up for losses in rations?

Unfortunately, no. All processed and tinned foods, including dried eggs, meat, some fish, milk and puddings, as well as "luxury" fruit, such as pineapples, grapes and peaches, will be drastically scaled down.

A reliable authority states that supplies of these foods will be not more than 30 per cent. of the present supplies. Sausage and fish, however, will be more plentiful.

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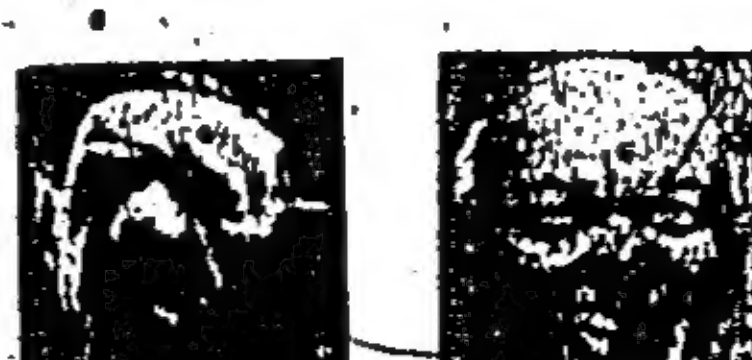
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100 Years Ago

(From the files of the "China Mail.")

The P. & O. Steamer "Canton" arrived tonight, having made the passage from Singapore in 11 days. This gives a very favourable specimen of her power and speed. She is fitted with a large and comfortable Saloon for the accommodation of passengers, with a separate Refectory Room for Ladies. At present with a large quantity of Stores &c., on board, her draught of water is seven feet, but in common working trim she will not require more than six, which will enable her to bring up off the factories at Canton at all states of the tide. Her dimensions are tons 218 35/100 Register 125 engine room 176 horsepower. Draft, laden with 150 tons of coal and stores for six months, 8 feet—light, 5 feet; length 18 (feet) feet overall; beam, 22 feet; number of days can steam, 12.

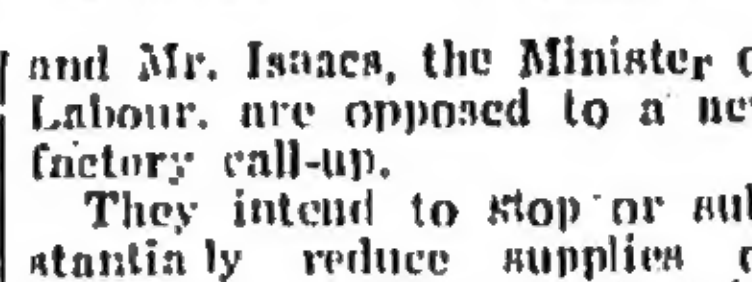
The "Corair" has reduced her passage money between this and Canton to \$0. We hear that the new steamer "Canton" charges \$5; but when the Hongkong and Canton Company's boats arrive we anticipate a further reduction. We think both the "Corair" and the "Canton" would find it their interest to supply passengers with provisions &c.; if not, a source of profit to the owners, it is a saving to the Steward and a saving to those who are in the habit of carrying a fender with them when they visit the factories.



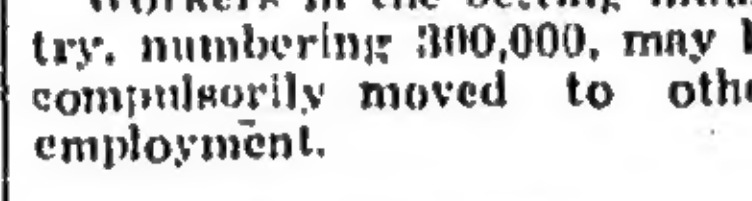
Mr. Churchill
COAL — 50,000,000 extra tons a year will save the situation.



Mr. Hugh Dalton
MONEY — More dollars must be used by cutting imports of steel and iron.



Mr. John Strachey
FOOD — Less bread, less meat and less butter, but a little more sugar.



Mr. Stafford Cripps
CLOTHING — More clothes must be used by cutting imports of steel and iron.

and Mr. Isaacs, the Minister of Labour, are opposed to a new factory call-up.

They intend to stop or substantially reduce supplies of materials to luxury industries so that many of them will have to close down and the employees can then be "persuaded" to do more important work.

Workers in the betting industry, numbering 300,000, may be compulsorily moved to other employment.

3. Clothing

Will the crisis programme affect clothing?

A Major part of the measures to be adopted to save the country is the export of textiles and clothes of all descriptions, because there are ready markets for these articles in dollar and hard currency areas.

Because of this, there will be less and less available for home consumption.

Sir Stafford Cripps, President of the Board of Trade, is expected to announce either a reduction in the number of coupons per person or a substantial stepping up of the couponage of most articles of clothing or even both.

When will clothing cuts come into operation?

With stubborn Dutch completeness, this colonial capital has been transformed into its pre-war appearance as a bit of transplanted Holland, since "police action" against the Republic of Indonesia began last July 20.

There is almost no sign now that for nearly two years this was the only city in Asia where a revolutionary nationalist government and a European colonial administration functioned side by side with surprisingly little administrative friction.

For the Dutch, good old days seem back again. The Dutch flag flies over Radio Jogjakarta and over the Republican Post Office. Telephone operators put through calls only when you ask for "Neeser" or long time.

To those who know them well, the Republicans under their government has had many failings, but with Asiatic calm they say that whatever the result of the UN decision, some day they will have a Republic from their own efforts — perhaps in five years, perhaps in 20.

But these feelings are expressed only to a few foreigners — mostly Americans and British whom they have known for a long time.

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Associated Press.

"Army Is Eating Up Dollars"

London, Aug. 27. Demanding that the Government should demobilise 500,000 men by Christmas, Mr. Geoffrey Bing, Labour Member of Parliament, said today that unless Britain checked the "suicidal waste of manpower and material" in her armed forces, it would be heading for national bankruptcy.

"Our forces eat up dollar imports," he declared. "They use goods we need for export, they clutter up our transport system, they drive farmers off their lands, and yet they are hardly of any military value. Out of a total force of nearly 1,250,000, we have 800,000 men and women in arms in this country living in organised idleness and almost totally ineffective. They are supposed to be reserves for overseas troops, but we have not the ships, nor the aircraft, nor even the petrol to carry them abroad, or maintain them in the field on a war footing."—Reuter.

They are young most of them; students, professional men, teachers. The common people, the coolies and street vendors and peasants, seem to care little

who controls the government. After 350 years of European rule, only seven percent of them can read and write. They are more interested in the price of rice than the price of freedom, whether it be derived through their own leaders or introduced gradually as the Dutch say they plan to do.

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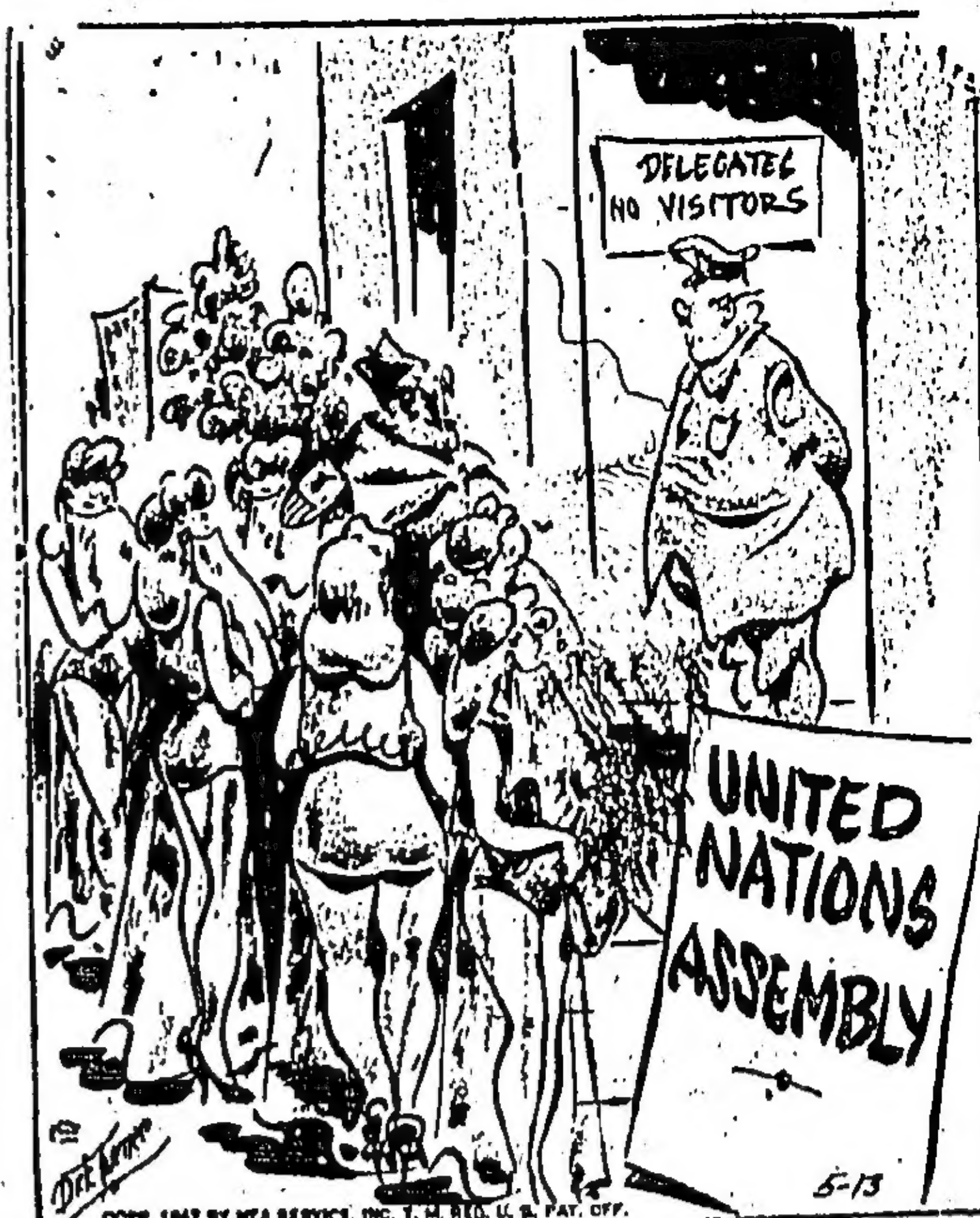
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Associated Press.

CARNIVAL

By Dick Turner



"But these are not visitors! They are problems His Majesty plans to take up with the council!"

BARCLAY ON BRIDGE

By Shepard Barclay
"The Authority on Authorities"

NO RUFFS IN NO TRUMP

It pays to watch your step and consider protecting yourself against a cross-ruff if the two defenders have bid different suits against your trump contract. One of them may be extremely short in his partner's suit, perhaps void of it, and vice versa as to the other partner's suit. Sometimes a greedy defender will warn you of that very danger by doubling your suit contract. That is your office to consider changing the declaration to No Trumps, as nobody has yet been known to score a ruffing trick in No Trump.

SK Q 10 6
HA Q 8 5
D Q 9 7 5
C 2

S3 HK 10 9 6 4 3 2 D 4 2 C 10 9 6
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SA 9 7 5
HA 4 2
D 10 6
CK 8 6 4 3

(Dealer: North. North-South vulnerable.)

North East South West
1S 6C 2H 2H
2S 6C 2H 2H
3S 6C 2H 2H
4H 6C 2H 2H
5D 6C 2H 2H
Pass 6C 2H 2H

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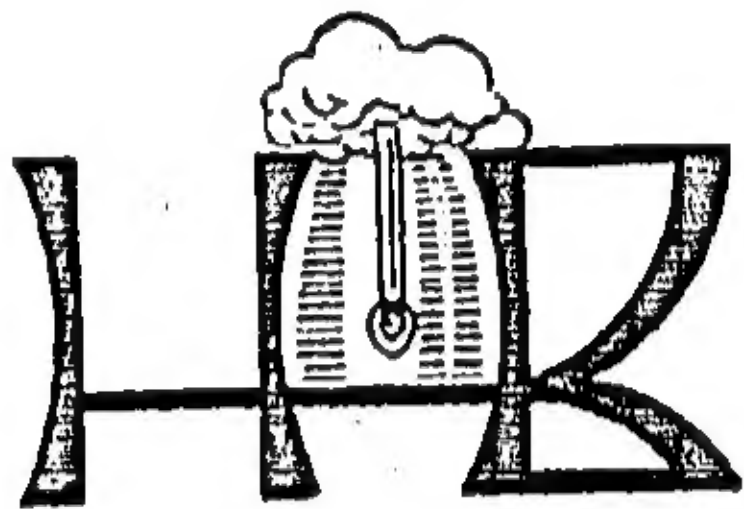
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Silence On German Trade Talks

London, Aug. 27.
Delegation heads at the tripartite conference on the German level of industry met for two hours tonight and then withheld publication of the final communiqué reportedly because the French could not concur in its present form.

The communiqué, which will be from 600 to 800 words long, will be released tomorrow for publication in the Friday morning newspapers, when alterations have been made in accordance with the French wishes.

It was learned the communiqué would contain much "substantial information," but it was also known the French were far from satisfied with the results of the meeting.

M. Herve Aphenand, French financial expert who attended the conference and flew back to Paris today, said on his arrival there that the talks were a "total rebuff for France."

Another plenary session was scheduled for 10 p.m. tonight, but it was learned no further news would be forthcoming before the communiqué.

Informed French sources said that during the meetings the Anglo-Americans decided to follow their own formula and "only permitted France to express their views," United Press.

BIG POLICE GUARD AROUND "MOON MAN"

London, Aug. 27.
The police took extra precautions today, when John Henry Cole was brought into court and charged with a bizarre series of sadistic attack on women, because it was just before the full moon—the period in which most of his assaults took place.

Cole, who had been a depressed since his arrest after an unusual nationwide search that he recently took a nearly fatal dose of poison, abruptly became violent before he was scheduled to appear.

Transformed, he kicked and bit at the five detectives who had to carry him into the dock. His shoes were taken away and his shirt was shredded in the struggle to get him into the court.

Crowds jamming the court room and overflowing outside saw the slim 28-year-old electrician, who fancies himself a ladies' man, keep struggling throughout the entire hearing so that detectives had to sit on each side of him, with three others lending a hand when needed.

When the statement, in which he allegedly admitted robbing and raping young women last April 17, was read, he profanely described it as false. He then clamped his legs through the bars of the dock and had to be forcibly taken back to his cell.

Rare Step

Scotland Yard took the rare step of publishing Cole's picture while the search for him was underway. They were guided by previous experience when publication of the picture of Neville Heath—executed sadist—was prohibited and Heath killed a second woman while being sought.

Among the cases the prisoner has been questioned about is the murder of Inge Petersen, pretty Danish girl. He is suspected of having whipped several other girls, one of whom he chained to a bed all night long.

Most of these attacks took place just before the full moon. The moon will come to a full again in four days.—United Press.

Sir John Orr Appeals To Perss

Geneva, Aug. 27.
Sir John Boyd Orr, Director General of the United Nations Food and Agricultural Organisation, today appealed to the world's press to aid in pressing the national Governments to establish a World Food Council which would relieve the impending European winter food crisis.

The FAO's constitution made it a "mere fact-finding body" incapable of concrete actions, Sir John declared.

The establishment of a World Food Council now on the agenda of the present third annual conference of FAO would be a step in the right direction, but national Governments were afraid to move.

Only the press and public opinion could force them, he said.

Appealing to correspondents, he said: "If you agree to the basic principle, give me a hand." Sir John said that the situation in Europe could be improved next winter by better collection and distribution of farm produce and if "exporting countries squeezed themselves a little to help others."—Reuter.

Truman Going To Brazil

Washington, Aug. 27.
The White House today announced that President Truman would leave by plane for Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, on Sunday morning and would address the closing session of the inter-American defense conference in the Brazilian capital.

En route to Rio, Mr. Truman will stop in Trinidad and Belm, Brazil. He will return to the United States aboard the battleship Missouri, reaching Washington on some time between September 16 and September 20.

It will be his first trip in the newly-delivered DC-6 four-engined transport.

Mrs. Truman and their daughter Margaret will accompany the President.—United Press.

AUSTRALIANS IN AUCKLAND

Auckland, N.Z., Aug. 27.
A party of 22 Australian businessmen arrived here today on their way to Japan to investigate possibilities of reopening trade.

Six New Zealand businessmen will also leave for Japan shortly on a similar mission.

All the members of the party agreed they did not expect much from the visit, and stressed the difficulty caused by Japan being a hard currency country.

They pointed out, however, that Australia and New Zealand felt the United States, which already had 400 businessmen in Japan, should not have a monopoly of any trade available.—Reuter.

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Tokyo's "Canary Case"

Tokyo, Aug. 27.
An Army order, which some tearful wives of occupation personnel termed the "Canary Murder Case," told all civilian and army families living in apartment billets in Tokyo to get rid of pets within 42 hours from Wednesday noon.

A headquarters official described a pet as a "dog, cat, rabbit, chicken, monkey—but not necessarily the canary." "The gold fish is termed 'decorative' and therefore not affected by the order."

The exact status of the canary still seemed doubtful since at least one War Department civilian living in the Japanese War Ministry apartments was told by the Building Custodian that he would have to dispose of his two Hartz mountain warblers. He refused in writing.

Mr. Sheldon C. Vesson, civilian employed at SCAP's Economic and Scientific Section, said: "The Custodian told me that at a high policy conference at Headquarters and Service Command this morning, a colonel ruled that a 'gold fish is decorative' but that a canary is a pet. Gold fish can stay, but canaries must go."

"My wife says she is going to take them to Headquarters and give them personally to the officer who wrote the order."

Nuisance Reasons
Maj. G. E. Schubert, of Headquarters and Service Group, told United Press that pets were being ousted for nuisance reasons. He said: "There are rabbits and monkeys—I knew of one family that used to have chickens. That talk about canaries being ordered out is nonsense."

Another officer said the order was implemented because of the complaints of other residents of apartment billets who disliked howling dogs and 'fretful cats. He said Headquarters was making efforts to find kennels where dispossessed dogs can be boarded until owners are ready to take home.

A woman apartment dweller, who wanted her name to be kept secret, said: "My husband is only a first lieutenant. I guess they can order him to do what they want. But if my dog goes so do I."—United Press.

Bulwark In Europe

New York, Aug. 27.
The Foreign Relations Committee of the American Legion reported that "the greatest menace in the field of international relations facing America is the aggressive spread of Communism fostered and promoted by a powerful totalitarian state."

It said the Marshall Plan was of "vital concern to every American."

"Its purpose is to maintain the bulwark in Western Europe which is at present damming back the rising flood of Communism. The dam is a fragile structure and if it should break, the Red tide would rush through to the Atlantic seaboard."

The Committee urged Congressional support of the Marshall Plan and also urged "control of the acute situation in the Balkans coupled with continued strengthening of the United Nations."—United Press.

"Gestapo" In Kenya

Mombasa, Kenya, Aug. 27.
It was learned today that the Kenya authorities had arrested the leader of the African workers Federation here, Chega Kibachia, under the colony's deportation ordinance, and that the case was heard in Chambers with the public and the press excluded.

Kibachia was the main speaker at a recent mass meeting, when a strike of African workers throughout Kenya was threatened. Blacklegs were warned that they would "have their ears cut off."—Reuter.

China Blames U.S. For "Sorry Plight"

Nanking, Aug. 28.
Several key members of Premier Chang Chun's Cabinet today blamed "repeated mistakes made by the United States during and after the war" for the Chinese people's "sorry plight."

A highly placed government official told the Associated Press that these officials voiced that opinion at Tuesday's regular cabinet meeting during a heated discussion on General Wedemeyer's farewell statement.

The United States insisted on Soviet participation in the war "when all along the Chinese Government tried in vain to convince the Americans that the days of the Japanese empire were numbered, and there was no need for Russian participation in the Asiatic theatre," government officials said.

The situation in Manchuria and North China, would never have been what it is now had the American Government listened to Chinese advice and kept the Russians out of the war picture in the Far East.

"While we admit that there is corruption and inefficiency in the national government, as pointed out by Wedemeyer, we also want the Americans to reflect a little on their past policies," one of the Cabinet members with a ministerial rank was quoted to have said.

The cabinet was divided on Foreign Minister Wang Shih-chieh's letter to Gen. Wedemeyer wherein Wang is reported to have taken the exception to Wedemeyer's intimation that expanding Communist influence in China

British Officer Arrested

Rangoon, Aug. 27.
Major C. H. Young, a British army officer attached to the Burma Unit, has been arrested at Imsein, under the Public Order (Preservations) Act, it was announced today.

The Burmese press said that though there were no allegations made against Major Young of implication in the assassinations last month of the seven Burmese Ministers, including the Prime Minister, U Aung San, "he is suspected by the authorities of having connections with U Saw."—Reuter.

RESIGNATION

Teheran, Aug. 27.
Ghavam Es Sultaneh, the Persian Prime Minister, resigned today in accordance with the constitution after the election of the new Majlis (Parliament).

A new Cabinet is expected shortly when the approved Majlis attains administrative power.—Reuter.

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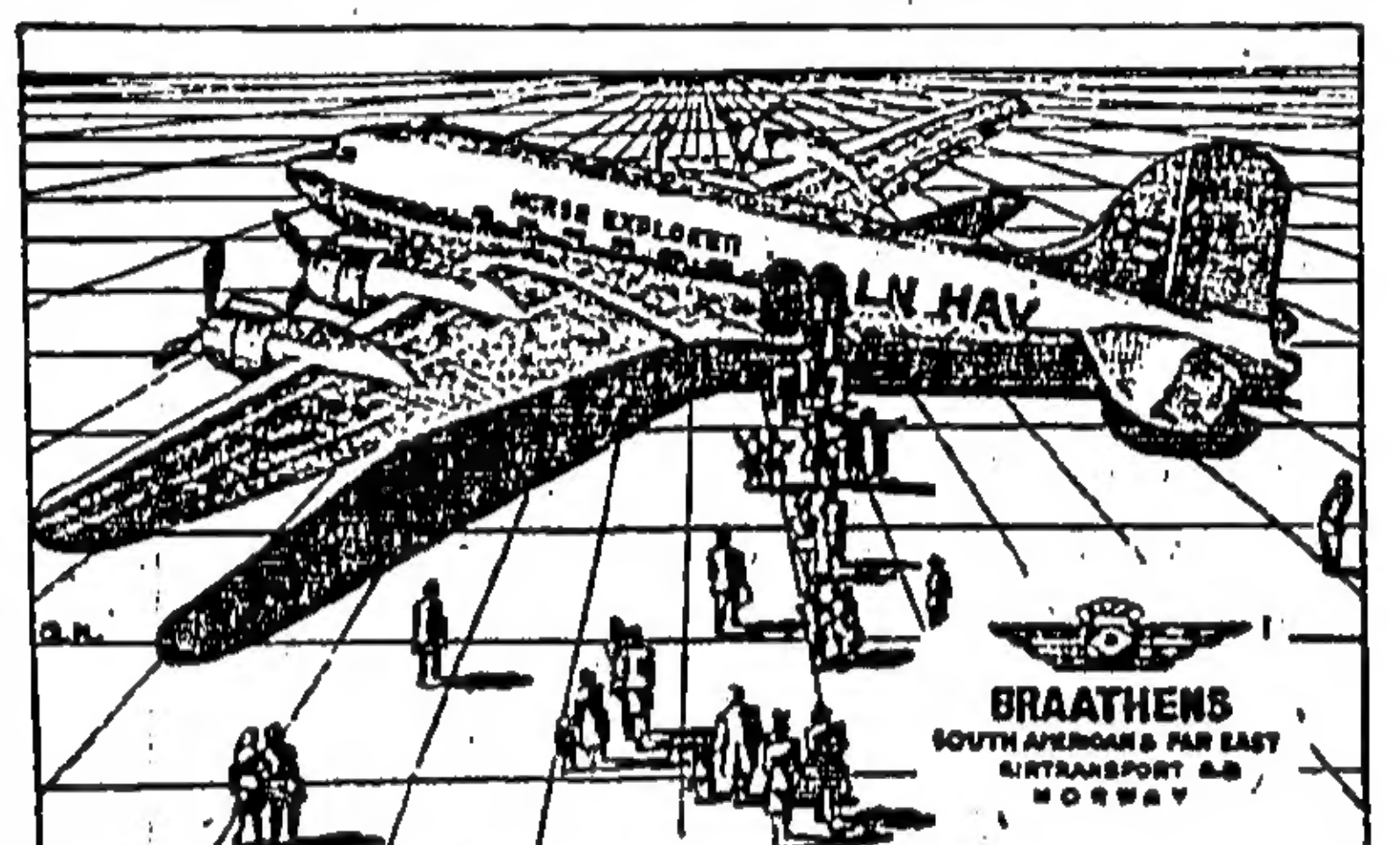
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60,000 WATCH ARSENAL DOWNCARLTON

London, Aug. 27.
Buses, trams and trains in South London were crowded to capacity tonight when a crowd of 60,000—the biggest mid-week gate at any League football match in London for many seasons—watched the Arsenal beat Charlton at the Valley.

Intending spectators who could not find room in public transport vehicles, begged lifts on lorries, and private motorists helped by taking enthusiasts on their way to the ground.

The chief level crowd gave the police and parking marshals no trouble, and fainting cases were rare.

The pre-match scenes, however, were in the road, surrounding the Charlton ground, where the police were kept busy after the match.

Wolverhampton Wanderers, quickly dispelled any doubts that they have arisen from their defeat at the Maine Road ground on Saturday by beating Grimsby Town eight goals to one after the visitors had gained the lead in the first few seconds of play.

The chief architect of the W.F. success was Pym, who scored the hat-trick, and Westcott and Smythe, who scored two goals each.

Brilliant inside forward play paved the way for Manchester United's second goal, scored by the club's captain, Jimmy Murphy, who scored the first goal.

More than half a million people watched the 23 English League matches, in which 10 clubs failed to score.

Following are the results of the matches played last night:

DIVISION I
Charlton 0, Arsenal 4.
Chelsea 1, Blackburn 0.
Everton 1, Manchester City 0.
Huddersfield 2, Blackpool 0.
Manchester United 2, Liverpool 0.
Sunderland 0, Aston Villa 0.
Wolverhampton 8, Grimsby 1.

DIVISION II
Barnley 3, Leeds United 0.
Brentford 0, Luton 3.
Bury 2, Tottenham 0.
Chesterfield 0, Newcastle 1.
Notts Forest 1, Bradford 2.
Southampton 3, Sheffield W. 1.
West Bromwich A. 2, Fulham 1.

DIVISION III (SOUTH)
Bristol City 1, Aldershot 0.
Exeter City 1, Reading 0.
Gillingham 1, Port Vale 2.
Southend 3, Ipswich 2.

DIVISION III (NORTH)
Bradford City 1, Wrexham 0.
Crewe Alex. 0, Man. City 0.
Gateshead 1, Darlington 2.
Huddersfield 1, Tranmere R. 1.

SCOTTISH LEAGUE "A"
Celtic 1, Queen of the South 0.
Dundee 1, Morton 1.
Hibernian 7, Airdrieonians 1.
Motherwell 2, Hearts 1.

SCOTTISH LEAGUE "B"
Albion Rovers 1, Dundee United 0.
Aberdeen 2, Dunfermline 1.
Aberdeen 2, Hamilton 1.
Cowdenbath 1, Leith 2.

SCOTTISH LEAGUE "C"
Dumfries 2, St. Johnstone 0.
Kilmarnock 7, Raith Rovers 1.
Stirling Albion 4, Ayr United 1.

—Reuter.

Employers' Strike Statement

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"An increase in the rate of Rehabilitation Allowance for artisans would be a more workable solution."

"No Attempt"
"Furthermore, no attempt had been made to meet the employers' statement of the previous day that the demand for 120 per cent. was all that was much too high and could not be accepted."

"In fact the demand had been materially increased by the additional demands for back pay and revised overtime payments. The representatives admitted that there was a force in these arguments but requested that their demands should be conveyed to the employers as they stood."

"This was done at a meeting held the same afternoon. In view of the fact that the new demand might be considered to involve a change in the rate of the Rehabilitation Allowance, all employers paying that allowance were invited to be present at the meeting."

"The dockyard employers considered that the demands now put forward were completely unreasonable and unrealistic."

"They did not think that any attempt had been made by the workers to appreciate the realities of the situation."

"The workers of the opinion that it would be useless to make any counter offer in view of the enormous wage gap between what the men were asking and what they considered economically possible."

"In so doing might create the impression that they were prepared to consider making substantial increases in their original offer, whereas in point of fact they had been carefully worked out and could not be materially increased, although it might be subject to variation."

"They were prepared to continue negotiations if the strikers' demands were modified to an extent that brought them within a reasonable distance of the employers' offer and it was arranged that the Labour Officer should see the Engineers' Institute representatives on the following day."

Grading
This meeting took place at 2 p.m. on Wednesday, Aug. 27, and lasted for about three hours.

"In the course of the meeting the representatives' attention was drawn to the fact that although they had withdrawn their claim for annual increments the grading of labour in the dockyards was a matter of fact and an increment basis and that it was unlikely that their members would in the future be satisfied to be placed on a flat rate of pay with no allowance for skill or length of service."

"They were invited to consider in detail the employer's offer, and to work out the actual increase in basic wages that they conveyed."

"Alternatively, it was suggested that they might reduce their own demands to a point at which some compromise might be possible."

"They were told that the employers considered their present demands completely unacceptable and that nothing that they represented a serious effort to find a compromise which would end the strike."

"The meeting closed on the understanding that further consideration would be given to the matter by the Engineers' Institute."

"Old, Undesireable Elements In Japan"

Tokyo, August 28.
Emperor Hirohito's repeated inspection trips brought sharp criticism today from Assistant Professor Yoshio Nakano of the Tokyo University, who charged that "old undesirable elements" are using him to stay in power.

Nakano wrote in the "Daichi Shimbun" that he is a supporter of the "Emperor system" but believed public feeling should be "reasonable" and view the Emperor as a human being instead of a god.

He also charged that on the inspection trips officials of the Imperial Household "virtually commandeer luxurious food in the name of the Emperor."—Associated Press.

MIDDLESEX HAS HIGH HOPE OF COUNTY TITLE

London, Aug. 27.
By their convincing win over their neighbours—Surrey—Middlesex have virtually assured themselves of the County cricket championship. In fact, they need only a first innings lead in one of the remaining two matches to make their position a certainty.

They are now leading by twenty points, their nearest rivals Gloucestershire, who also have two matches to play, but Gloucestershire's chance of getting no points from their latest encounter with Hampshire, who cheekily stole first innings points in a drawn game.

Middlesex is the team of the year when remembering what their "twins"—Compton and Edrich—have done on behalf of England.

In addition, Denis Compton, having scored another century in the match against Surrey, needs only one more to equal Jack Hobbs' record of 16 hundreds in one season, and it would be a great feather in his cap if he got two before he puts away his cricket boots for football boots, and took the record himself.

Another point about Middlesex is the fostering of young players. The 17-year-old schoolboy, Ian Bedford, tied up the Essex batsmen with his leg-breaks and googlies when making his first appearance for the County a month ago. He has now done a similar service

against Surrey, with a five wicket haul for 63 performance.

More County Clubs are now realising the value of up and coming youngsters. Many are already "catching them young."

The Middlesex Grammar School Cricket Association will soon hold its first "Cricket Week." G. O. Allen, captain and manager of the England team which will tour the West Indies this coming winter, is president of this Association, and young Bedford will captain the "Cricket Week" team, which will play its matches on various London grounds.

Trevor Bailey is another promising young player, and he has given good service to Essex this week. He has been selected to go on the West Indies tour, and the experience is likely to make him a formidable bowler for next season.

Yorkshire, who started the season badly, are now winning matches, and are undaunted by the fact that the County Championship has closed this season. They too have been giving a chance to the young players, and the experiment is already bearing fruit.—Reuter.

County Scores
Close of play scores in the twenty games today were:
At Southampton—Yorkshire 401 (Hutton 197, Watson 71); Essex 36 for 1.
At The Oval—Surrey 509 for 7 (Clarke 41, Squires 70, Whitaker 106, Parker 134, Eric Bedford not out 69); Gloucestershire 293 (Cripp 79, Wilson 73); Sussex 118 for 3 (John Langridge 69).
At Lords—Middlesex 273 (Robinson 85, Brown 62, Compton 60; Broderick, left arm slow, 6 for 46); Northamptonshire 72 for 5.
At Bournemouth—Hampshire 352 for 8 (Rogers 71, Bailey 95, McCorkell 71, Lancashire to bat).
In the North v. South match at Harrogate, the North XI scored 321 (Paynter 154; Horne, left arm slow spin bowler, 7 for 117); the South XI replying with 180 for 6 by close of play.—Reuter.

The following have been selected to represent the K.B.C.C. at Austin Road at 4 p.m.: Phillips, I. Newton, R. Morrison, J. McKelvie (Skip), E. Greenwood, G.E.F. Thompson, J.G. Meyer, A.J. Hall (Skip), L.G. Combes, C. Downman, J.W. M. Dickson, S. Randle (Skip), E.F. Pope, L.R. Whant, W.C. Simpson, J.F. McDowall (Skip).

Norwegian Plane Crashes

Oslo, Aug. 28.
A Norwegian Airlines Sunderland flying boat, carrying 27 passengers and six crewmen, crashed into the Kluppen Mountain, south of Harstad in Northern Norway, in thick fog early today.

Officials of the airline said that they have received no word of the fate of these aboard.

They would not reveal whether the plane was on the Oslo-Tromsø run carrying foreign passengers.

In Stockholm, the editor of "Lofoten Tidende" in Narvik told the United Press by telephone that all the passengers and crew members were killed when the plane crashed at 9.30 a.m. local time.

The plane he added, immediately burst into flames. The editor added that 32 bodies were counted.—United Press.

Baseball

New York, Aug. 28.
In the American League, the League-leading New York Yankees edged out St. Louis 7-6 in 10 innings.

Yankee George Starnes smacked the first ball for a single in the first inning. Then with the score tied in the 10th inning, he hit for a circuit to win the game, by sliding under another doubleheader with Detroit.

Washington upset Chicago 6-5. Senator Eddie Yost scored the winning run.

In the National League, Chicago beat the League-leading Brooklyn Dodgers 6-3. Scores:

American League
N. Y. Yankees 7, St. Louis 6.
Winning pitcher Joe Page.
Boston (1st game) 2, Detroit 1.
Winning pitcher Russ Overmire.
Boston (2nd game) 5, Detroit 4.
Winning pitcher Joe Dobson.
Chicago 6, Washington 5.
Winning pitcher Mito Candini.

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workers subject to a maximum rate of 50 cents per hour. Workers who were employed before the war to receive a further increment of two cents per hour. Service in any dockyard to count for purposes of estimating a man's position in the scale in all the commercial dockyards. The general effect of this offer is to increase the basic wages of all skilled time workers by 20-25% with special rates receiving a higher percentage.

(c) Engineers' Institute counter proposals—Overall increase of 120% on existing wages. This increase to be 60% on basic wage and 60% on a special allowance. Overtime pay to be based on basic plus special allowance to be payable to be retrospective from February to the present day.

Strikers' View
Chinese Engineers' Institute officials interviewed last night as to whether they would make further concessions if employers refused to make any move, said their answer to the Labour Officer was clear.

There was no further walk-out yesterday but talks of joining the strike are reported to have taken place among some 300 electricians in the employ of the Public Works Department.

Tramway workers, at a meeting yesterday afternoon, unanimously endorsed the resolution passed the previous evening, in which an immediate demand for a 100% increase in wages was made.

BRITAIN HAS NEW AUSTERITY PROGRAMME

London, Aug. 27.
The Government tonight announced an economy programme to save imports worth £228,000,000 annually by imposing 'new restrictions on food, foreign travel and petrol.

Pleasure motoring will be banned altogether by the abolition of the basic petrol ration, which means that private consumers will get petrol only for the purposes deemed necessary for the life of the nation. Such allowances are made to doctors, officials and others.

No exchange will be available for travel outside the sterling area after October 1 except for purposes explicitly approved by the exchange control.

Only four types of application will be considered:
1. For necessary business purposes.
2. For good professional reasons or to participate in conferences of reputable international bodies or international sports and similar events and urgent compassionate cases.
3. Health cases of grave urgency will be provided for.
4. University and post-graduate education and research.

Britain's Riposte
The 10 Downing Street statement, regarded as Britain's reply to any foreign suggestion that the nation was not doing all it could to lift itself out of trouble by its own bootstraps, said:

"During the past two weeks, the Government have been reviewing the economic programme which they announced in debate in the House of Commons on August 6 and 7. The broad aim of this programme have not been effected by the sudden increase in the drain on dollar resources, which led to last week's decision to limit convertibility of sterling."

"This development of the situation has, however, made it necessary for Government to accelerate and intensify the measures which they were already taking to narrow the gap between our foreign expenditure and our earnings. As a result, Government have now decided to bring the following measures into operation at once."

"The Government trusts that in the present circumstances no one will take a foreign holiday in September unless he had already entered into commitments which he cannot break," the statement said.

Depth Charges Guard Against Jew "Frog Men"

Gibraltar, Aug. 27.
Anti-personnel depth charges were dropped at 15-minute intervals throughout the night around the three transports in which the 4,350 "Exodus" Jews are being taken to Hamburg as a defence against attacks by "frog men."

As the three vessels lay in Gibraltar Harbour during the two days' break in the voyage from Port de Bouc, Southern France, to Hamburg, where the illegal Jewish immigrants are to be disembarked, batteries of powerful searchlights were trained on them throughout the night from the subterranean fortifications of "The Rock."

British authorities are taking every precaution against a possible attempt by the immigrants to seize control of any of the three ships.

Welding crews visited all three transports this morning to strengthen the cases on their foredecks and to inspect the hatches leading to the holds.

The night-long vigilance against attempts to sabotage the ships from the shore was also continued.

From dawn, naval launches were carefully circled the refugee fleet, scanning the water for signs of "frog men."

The ships were docked at a detached mole, unconnected with the shore. Unofficial boats were not allowed within hailing distance.

On shore, a mixed army, naval and special intelligence police cordons sealed off all approaches to the jetties from which launches put off to the ships.

Anyone seeking access to the ships had to show identity papers three times, at each of the three concentric rings of armed guards around the jetties.

It was expected that the

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